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| David Banks, et al.        | § | CUSTOMER NO. 29855         |
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| CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING  | § |                            |
| ZONES WITHIN A FIBRE       | § |                            |
| CHANNEL SYSTEM             | δ |                            |

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08a be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Because the cited reference(s) are U.S. Patents or Applications, and in accordance with this Office's waiver of the provision of 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting copies of U.S. patents for patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 (see 1276 O.G. 55), no copies of these references are included. Copies will however be submitted upon request.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g),(b), this SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b), or that such information constitutes prior art.

This SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT is being filed after receipt of a first Official Action, but before the close of prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, a fee of \$180.00 is believed to be due pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). The USPTO is authorized to deduct this fee, and any other necessary fees, from or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 501922, referencing matter no. 112-0146US.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered and made of record in the present case, and that the Examiner initial the appropriate spaces on the Form 1449 to evidence the same

Respectfully submitted,

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